

Green Initiative Team

Agenda May 5, 2014 6 pm

- GIT Seeking New Members—resumes due May 2.
- On Going Projects
 - STAR Communities—report on Webinar: Impact of Sustainability on Municipal Bond Ratings
 - UMD PAL—update on courses discussed
 - Maryland Smart Energy Community—update on status
 - Sustainability Master Plan—update on progress
 - Pet Poop Bag Grant—info needed to apply
 - Waterford tree planting along abandoned sewer easement--.36 acres from development of shared use path and some fee-in-lieu plantings in another section of the park
- Urban Tree Canopy Goals—As of last reporting (2010), City had 14% forest. City needs 40%, which is approximately 3,700 more acres.
 - Discuss ways to encourage homeowners, homeowner associations, schools, etc., to plant more trees on private land
- EBTJV—Working with the County to protect trout streams in Tuscarora watershed with floating plant islands in stormwater ponds and riparian buffer plantings.
 - Need to reach out to homeowner associations in that area to discuss projects
 - o Tom Rippeon will be planting riparian buffers in some areas of Tuscarora, but potential may be there for more buffer plantings on private land.
- New Topics from Group
- Adjournment